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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR ALIGNING A SURFACE OF AN ACTIVE RETAINER RING WITH A WAFER SURFACE FOR CHEMICAL MECHANICAL POLISHING, the specification of which,

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